Selection of players for Olympic Games

1463. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the arrangements Government have made for imparting extensive training to the players to prepare them for the coming Olympics ;

(b) whether Government have made the final selection of players in this regard ; and

(c) if so, the details of players eventwise and their coaches with their past experience ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE) : (a) The National Federations and the Indian Olympic Association are primarily responsible for arranging for the training and preparation of athletes/ teams for participation in the Olympic Games. The Government and the Sports Authority of India assist mainly by providing financial assistance, and infrastructure and equipment support for coaching camps, coaches & foreign exposures.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Intensive training for probables is continuing and a final selection will be made in consultation with the National Federations and the Indian Olympic Association at the appropriate time.

Assessment of the AIMS and objectives of Navodaya Vidyalayas

1464. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have made an assessment of Navodaya Vidyalaya with reference to its original objectives and aims ;

(b) if so, the main findings of the appraisal ; and

(c) the steps taken to overcome the problems ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) to (c) Although the performance of the Navodaya Vidyalayas is being watched by the Government, no evaluation study has been ordered as it is still a new scheme.

Demands of Anganwadi Workers

1465. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Anganwadi Workers' Association has recently submitted a charter of demands to Government ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the action Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE) : (a) and (b) The Akhil Bhartiya Anganwadi Kamgar Union. Akhil Bharatiya Anganwadi Karamchari Sanyukta Sangharsh Samiti, Anganwadi Karamchari Mahasangha and Kerala Anganwadi Staff Federation have given memorandum of demands to the Government mainly demanding the status of Government employees and increase in Honorarium of Anganwadi Workers and Helpers.

(c) Government is unable to accept the demand for giving the status of government employees to Anganwadi Workers and Helpers as it will be against the principle of the Integrated Child Development Services Scheme. The Scheme is based on Voluntary and Community Participation of village women who work on part time (4½ hours daily) basis as voluntary workers selected from the local community. As regards, revision of honorarium of the workers and Helpers the matter is receiving the Government's utmost attention.